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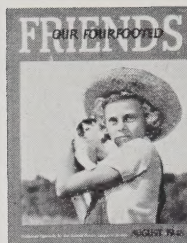
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AUGUST EDITION of OUR FOURFOOTED FRIENDS Holds Interest of LEAGUE FOLLOWERS and Makes NEW FRIENDS

We are delighted with the ready response to our quarterly publication. The Editorial Staff will continue to make it not only attractive but a medium of INFORMATION for our members and friends.

In some respects OUR FOURFOOTED FRIENDS has served the animal welfare cause throughout New England, many societies being inspired by the League's new and progressive humane projects. If our publication continues to point the way to BETTER

TREATMENT of all sentient life and to raise the standards of our organized efforts to prevent cruelty we shall feel amply compensated.

A letter that has helped to inspire these accomplishments is one we take pride in reproducing:

"My hearty congratulations on the appearance of OUR FOURFOOTED FRIENDS. You have dressed the magazine up in splendid style. I am sure it must please your members and friends. — *Sydney H. Coleman*, Exec. Vice-President, The American S. P. C. A., New York City."

MID-SUMMER BULLETIN

In lieu of meetings of our Board of Directors, which are not held during June, July, August and September, the President issued a progress report of League activities. In this way all Board members were kept informed of the more important developments during the summer.

No amount of copy could describe the multitude of activities which necessitate untold hours of ENERGY and the ALERTNESS of our entire personnel.

Little does the average person realize what is involved in the handling of animals numbering in the THOUSANDS every month.

No agency — city, local or state — could begin to realize the per capita cost that is involved in our efforts to provide amelioration for 100,000 animals yearly.

In addition to being morally responsible for adherence to the best humane techniques, we are compelled by virtue of insufficient financial support to maintain our program at a minimum of ECONOMY.

Increased EFFICIENCY at a MINIMUM EXPENSE will always be our aim.

As yet the League does not have an INCOME commensurate with COST.

CONTRIBUTIONS IN ANY AMOUNT ARE GREATLY APPRECIATED.

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DESTROY Civilization. KINDNESS as a CONSTRUC-
TIVE FORCE will SAVE Humanity.**

LEAGUE MASCOTS

CAT: Called "Blackie," although she is black and white, this feline has been the pet at our Albany Street Shelter for the past five years. While provided with a private basket, she seldom stays there. Usually she can be found sleeping high up on a shelf somewhere or checking on the "doings" around the Shelter. Everybody loves her!

DOG: Boarded for two years waiting to be called as the star witness in a murder trial, "Blackie" became mistress of all she surveyed at our Headquarters Building. Her day in court never came for the murderers confessed. In the meantime, she has so endeared herself to the entire personnel that she was "adopted" and will stay with us at our Pine Ridge Rest Farm for the rest of her days.

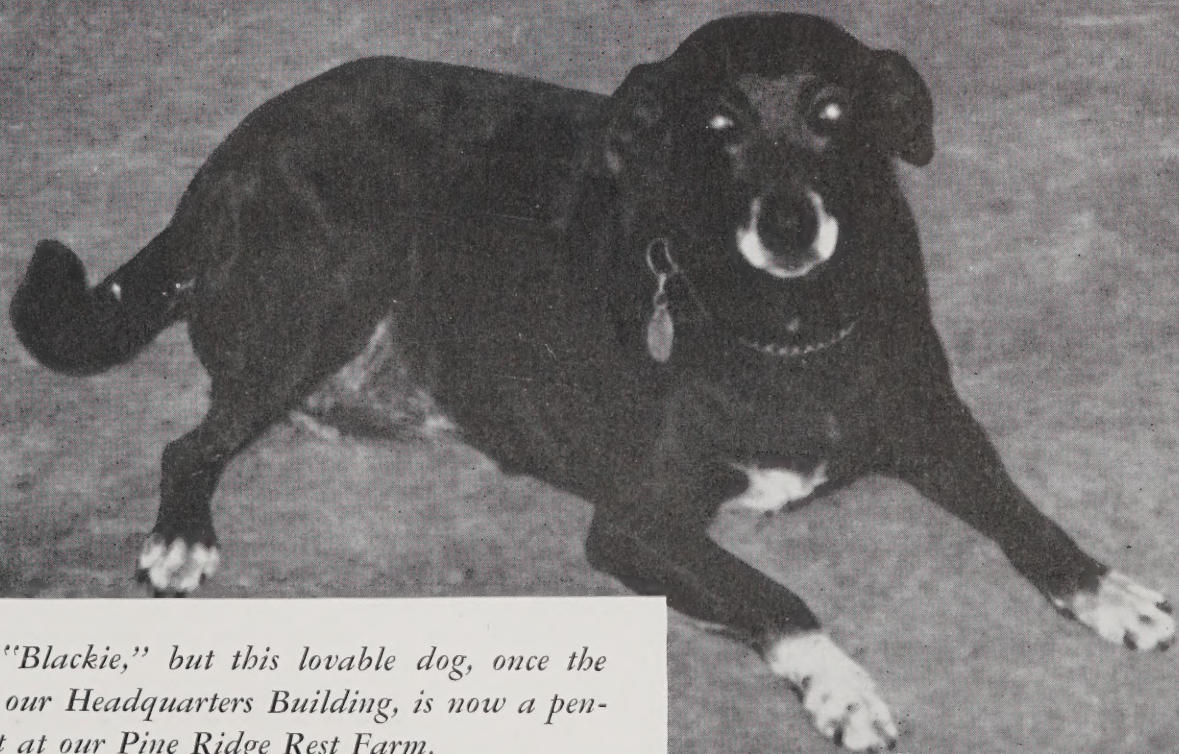
"Blackie," Shelter mascot and star boarder for five years, is shown here assisting Animal Agent Sherman Bates.

— Boston Post Photo



Another "Blackie," but this lovable dog, once the BOSS at our Headquarters Building, is now a pensioned pet at our Pine Ridge Rest Farm.

Photo by Lou Vuozzo, Staff Photographer





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LET IT NEVER HAPPEN AGAIN

... "Unspeakable Cruelty Involved in
Stock Saddle Horse Marathon"

EVERY so often it becomes our duty to condemn a form of *cruelty to animals* which is unbelievable in this age of culture, fairness and high-mindedness. If we were reading the early history of the humane movement, we could not find any brutality to match this fiendish incident perpetrated in the country of our northern neighbors.

For the benefit of our readers we quote in part the results of a 30-mile HORSE MARATHON staged May 24 of this year by the Western Riding Club of Calgary, Canada:

"One hour, 41 minutes and 18 $\frac{3}{5}$ seconds. This time was hailed as 'breaking all known records for the distance.' Very few did not think that the two-hour mark would be bettered in the race, but the fine weather, good footing and fitness of the horses contributed to the fast pace."

This outrage against the horse received a scorching

denunciation by a magazine which is devoted to news about horses. We are not only eager to reproduce this statement by *The Western Horseman* in its July-August issue, but wholeheartedly add our endorsement:

"The time made in this race was certainly fast. The horses went the whole 30 miles on the dead run, without a stop. Consequently, from a humane standpoint, the race was not a success. The horses came in very badly 'done.' One died a few miles out from the end of the race, and one had to be destroyed on the course. Five horses have since been destroyed, and others are not expected to live. This race should certainly not have been run without at least one stop of 15 or 20 minutes."

We repeat our caption — LET IT NEVER HAPPEN AGAIN — and to that end let every true horse lover and all humane societies unite to *prevent* another marathon in which the horse is the victim of gross and preventable cruelty.

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(AP Photo)

THEIR PAL IS GONE FOREVER

Killed by a hit-and-run driver, their canine pal is gone forever. Susan Sallade tearfully prays for "Pinky" her 6-months-old puppy while Pamela Thornton, Clement O'Brien and Kathie O'Brien join in her sorrow. Carelessness and thoughtlessness are two of the most common contributing factors involved in cruel and abusive treatment. If the driver of the automobile had not been so "careless" these tiny tots would still be romping with "Pinky."

War Dog Monument

For his services in World Wars I and II, a monument to the War Dog has been erected near New Hudson, Michigan. It stands on the highway at a pet cemetery named the "Happy Hunting Grounds Memorial Park," in which are buried such well-known pets as Admiral Byrd's lead dog, "Blizzard," of polar expedition fame, and the parrot mascot of Admiral Dewey's flagship in the Spanish-American war. The base of the monument is a 16-ton stone, and the statue of the dog is of bronze. Over-all height is 13 feet.

Humanitarians Should Back Lemke Bill

In a letter received from Miss Marion Merrill of Winthrop, Mass. we have been asked to remind the readers of OUR FOURFOOTED FRIENDS to petition their congressmen to support Lemke Bill — H.R. 5572 — which purports to exempt dogs from cruel live-animal experiments in the District of Columbia.

Mr. Lemke has filed Petition No. 33 on the Speaker's Desk which, if signed by 218 House Members, will bring the Bill out of committee for a hearing.

It is entirely in keeping with the spirit of our Democracy that both

sides of an important measure should be constructively debated.

Safe-Driving Awards

The League is proud to publish the names of its motor vehicle drivers who received awards for careful driving.

ANIMAL AMBULANCES

Walter F. Brown 3-year pin award
 Sherman Bates 3-year pin award
 Albert Morris 2-year pin award
 James Russell Connaughton
 1-year pin award

HUMANE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT (Station Wagon)

Mrs. Miriam Smith 2-year pin award
 Miss Harriett A. Flannery 1-year pin award



Finds His Dog

(Boston Record Photo)

"Puggy," picked up as a stray in Roxbury, is claimed by his little two-year-old master, Robert Byrnes. Here Harry Rolfe, Shelter Supervisor, holds "Puggy" while Robert identifies him.



THOSE WE SERVE

Johanna Smith typifies the many hundreds of Pet Owners the League serves every day throughout the year. "Buddy" expresses in canine fashion his gratitude to be going home again with his mistress.

Recovers Pet

(Boston American Photo)



LOST A DOG? FOUND A DOG?

Call Hancock 9170 and ask for the Lost and Found Department. Hours: 10 to 5 daily, except Sundays and Holidays.

AND HOW

ONE Hundred and Thirty Thousand Miles each year is considerable territory to travel.

That explains why the LEAGUE not only must have mobile units which are economical to operate, but they must be so constructed that pets, especially dogs and cats, be transported under conditions that give the maximum of comfort.

On this page we reproduce several photos that make an impressive appearance of our first post-war ambulance which is a 1946 one-half-ton Ford Panel Truck, the gift of Mrs. Maximilian Agassiz. As soon as the material is available, a suitable plaque will be attached to this ambulance in appreciation of her generosity.

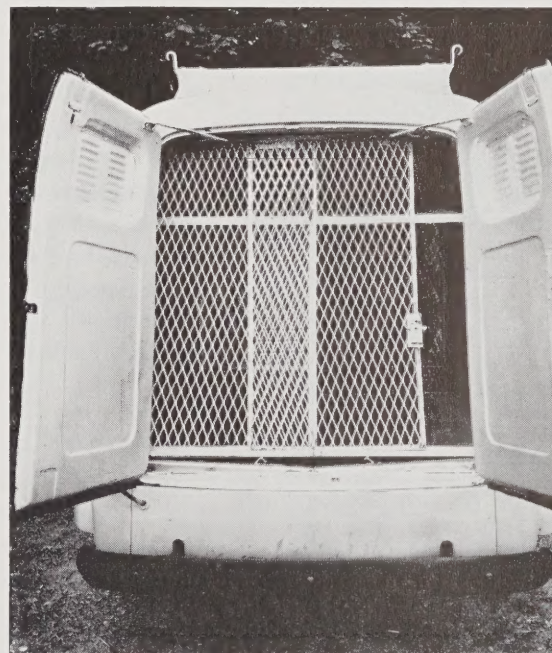
Because a commercial panel unit is not constructed for transporting animals, it is necessary that we embody special equipment and fittings. Most important is the interior. It now has three separate compartments; one the full width of the body directly in back of the driver's seat and two

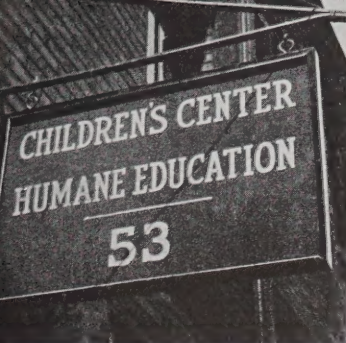
more at the rear of the ambulance. Above these is a slatted shelf on which can be carried fifteen or more individual cat boxes. The inside is lined with stainless steel (to prevent rapid deterioration from the effects of uric acid) and the top has three inches of insulation against excessive heat in the summer and cold in the winter. For circulation of fresh air, there are two roof ventilators which force air through the body and out of the rear door louvers.

Other special equipment includes a ladder rack for cat rescue work, a spot light for night service, and three steps (note left side of rear door which permits agent to unload ladder without marring body finish) for easy access to ladder on top of ambulance. When not in use, the steps are raised from the horizontal position.

Soon new cat boxes made of expanded wire will be available. These we shall substitute for the old-fashioned wood boxes because they will allow for better SANITATION and VENTILATION.

COMFORT FOR THE SCORES OF SMALL ANIMALS THAT COME WITHIN OUR CARE IS OUR AIM AND PURPOSE, AND WE BELIEVE WE SHALL ACHIEVE IT WITH OUR NEW AMBULANCE FLEET.





CHILDREN'S CENTER NOW and THE FUTURE

B. MAUDE PHILLIPS, *Director of Education*

THE laboratory experiment which has been carried on for four years in our Children's Center at 53 Carver Street during the summer months has demonstrated beyond a doubt that it has been a worth while project. The children are more fully aware of their duty to the four-footed and feathered friends of man, and have become better acquainted with the children of other lands — a touch of world brotherhood.

Now our eyes turn to the FUTURE. In our new building, which is only a dream but which we hope will be a reality before long, we plan to have an adequate auditorium where Boy and Girl Scouts, 4-H Clubs, Future Farmers of America and other groups may exchange with us valuable ideas and help toward a better understanding of our duty toward the lower creation. It is our desire to have them become so well versed in the needs of animals that they will feel it a *privilege* to be associated with the work of the League. Added to this we hope to have classrooms where trained teachers can instill in the hearts and minds of the children kindly consideration of everything that lives, each group to be segregated according to its needs. A reference library, so well equipped that every teacher and child seeking information will obtain it, is also part of our plan. And we hope eventually to have a circulating library so that children may take books home for study.

Mrs. Huntington Smith, founder of the League, from the very beginning of her work for the protection of animals, realized the value of the child-animal relationship. Therefore, in her first year she established a Kindness Club through which she taught our "citizens of the future" how much they owe to the animal kingdom. We hope to revive this by organizing a *Junior Animal Rescue League*, so replete with a wealth of activities that children will be anxious to join and participate in a project which they will guide in *their own Center*.

PLANS FOR THE SUMMER OF 1947

The Children's Center will not be open next summer, nor thereafter until such time as the new building is erected. However, we plan to continue our Humane Education program by making several field trips throughout Massachusetts and the other five New England states.

This past summer we were privileged to present *Peter Rabbit*, one of our marionette plays, at the summer camp of the Burroughs Newsboy Foundation at Agassiz Village, South Poland, Maine. The response from the 250 boys was so enthusiastic it occurred to us that our work would be more beneficial to the many hundreds of boys and girls at summer camps. The idea is a new one, but we envision presenting our program in many places from the coast of Maine to the tip of Cape Cod. Humane Education does not necessarily mean just "book reading," for we have taught the children in our Center many arts and crafts which will augment the established courses already a part of every young people's camp.

Coöperation with many child protection agencies during the past season has broadened the scope of activities with children. Thus our work, in prospect, will carry not only busier days, but will give assurance that our vision is speeding toward an ever-widening goal!

Mrs. Smith, who wrote, "any measure taken for the comfort of animals not only renders temporary help, but has a lasting influence for good by teaching more thoughtful consideration of their needs," founded an organization on the ideals and principles of KINDNESS and "fair treatment, justice, reasonable consideration of the rights and comforts of every living creature." We who are left to carry on where she left off will never let her down! We repeat the saying which appears on page 2: ATOMIC ENERGY as a DESTRUCTIVE FORCE can DESTROY Civilization. KINDNESS as a CONSTRUCTIVE FORCE will SAVE Humanity.



THE HEALTH, FITNESS *and* HABITS OF YOUR PET



Dr. Mather
says . . .

TO HAVE and to hold" should be the all-important theme for the owner of an adult pet. A number of months of diligent care and training have been given to the rearing of your pet and now, even more than before, the reward of faithful companionship and devotion is being reaped. Now that you HAVE your fully matured pet be sure that you HOLD him through his normal span of life by kind consideration for his health and comfort.

HOUSING — Housing requirements vary greatly with individual animals. Long-coated dogs may spend all their time outdoors, while cats and short-haired dogs should be kept indoors during cold and inclement weather. A long-coated outdoor dog should have a kennel house or access to one corner of the garage during wet or cold weather. Care should be taken that his quarters are dry and draft-free. Animals that spend a good share of their time indoors should be given some kind of bed or box they can call their own.

FEEDING — Never before has feeding an animal been the problem it is today. The diet of both dogs and cats should consist of protein, carbohydrates, fats, vitamins and minerals. Because milk contains all of these, I suggest that a reasonable amount of milk be given your pet daily. Meat (raw or cooked) is the best source of

Letters addressed to Dr. Mather about your PET will be given prompt attention. In all cases of serious or acute illness we urge you to consult your nearest veterinarian.

protein and fat. Beef, lamb or lean pork are desirable. Any of the better dry dog foods may be used for a carbohydrate source and for bulk. In addition, vegetables, left-overs from the table, and fish products may be used. I would suggest you feed your adult pet, either dog or cat, a small meal of milk and cereal or milk and dry pet food in the morning. A second and larger meal, consisting of meat, dry pet food soaked in broth, milk or water, and vegetables, should be given in the latter part of the afternoon. During the cold weather,

DR. ARTHUR A. BARRY

The League welcomes a new member to its Clinic staff, Dr. Arthur A. Barry, D.V.M., of Revere, Massachusetts. Dr. Barry served three and one-half years as a Captain in the Army. He is a graduate of Michigan State College and is rapidly making many friends with those who bring their pets to us for treatment.

it is wise to give your pet cod liver oil in his food every second day (one-half to two teaspoonfuls). If it is impossible to obtain a liberal supply of animal protein foods, it is wise to supply some mineral and vitamin supplement of which there are many on the market.

CARE OF SKIN — All pets need grooming. An occasional brushing will suffice for short-haired animals, but longer coated pets need almost

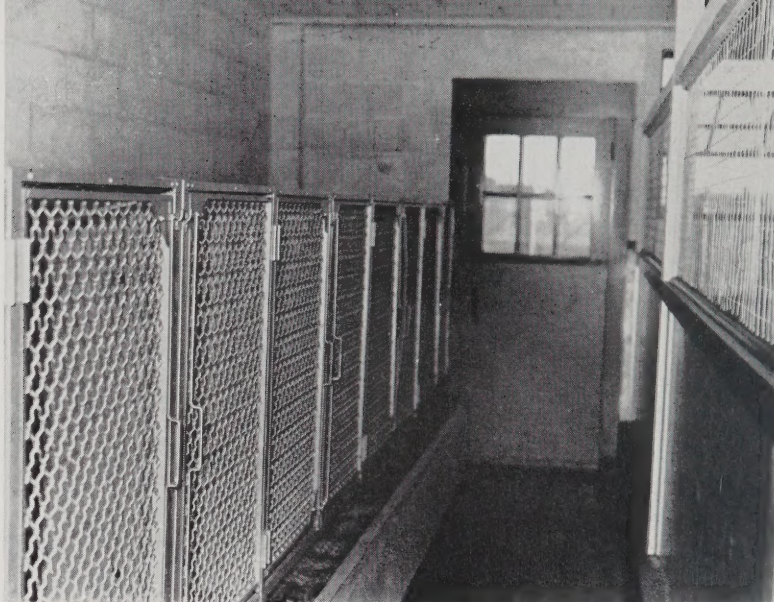
daily combing. The coat should always be combed with the lay of the hair. Care should be taken to avoid scratching the skin with the teeth of the comb. All loose undercoat and hair mats should be removed.

EXERCISE — Exercise is an absolute requirement to normal health of a pet. Cats require but little exercise, while dogs require a liberal amount. Small house dogs should be exercised on a leash or allowed to run free, if traffic and location permit. Large dogs should be allowed to run if possible. If this is not practicable, a large enclosure should be made for your dog's enjoyment and health. The next choice would be a trolley-wire and leash arrangement. The last, and least desirable, method of exercising the dog is that of walking him on a leash.

TRAINING — Training of your pet is one of the greatest pleasures you may derive from the master-pet relationship. Training instills mutual respect and admiration and becomes a partnership between pet and master that pays dividends in accordance with the amount of time and patience spent. Training of the dog is a complex problem, and I strongly advise organized obedience dog-training classes. In these classes the master is taught to train his own dog. Cats, on the other hand, seem to be a law unto themselves and their training requires limitless patience. However, by the discipline-reward system, they can be taught to respect furniture, table-tops and food that does not belong to them.



A Clean, Spotless Kitchen



New Kennel Ward

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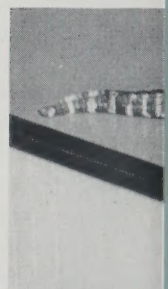
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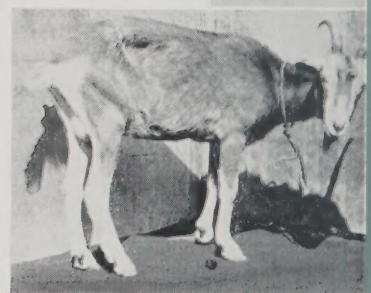
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GOOD FOOD



We extend a cordial invitation to all
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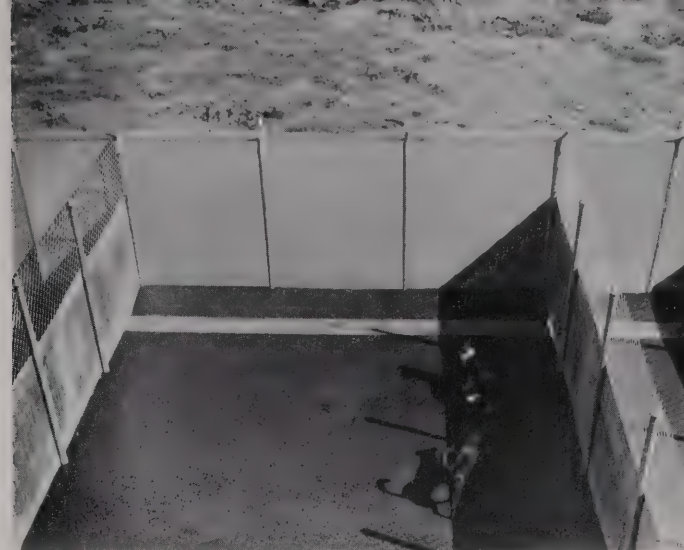
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Adequate Exercise Yards



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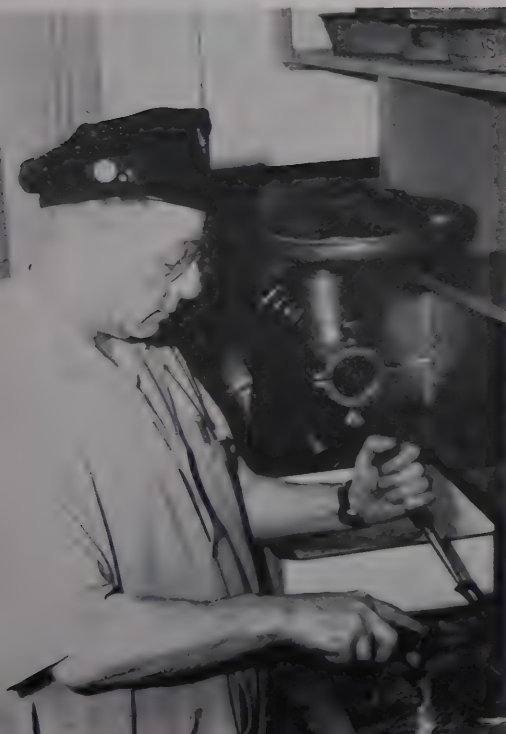
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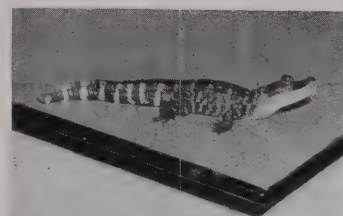
Sanitation, Comfort, Good Food, Proper Treatment and Adequate Exercise Facilities are enjoyed by the thousands of pets housed at our Albany Street Shelter each year. Without such a place many helpless, stray and unwanted animals would starve—perhaps die from lack of sustenance and protection from weather extremes.

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Some Unusual Animal Visitors



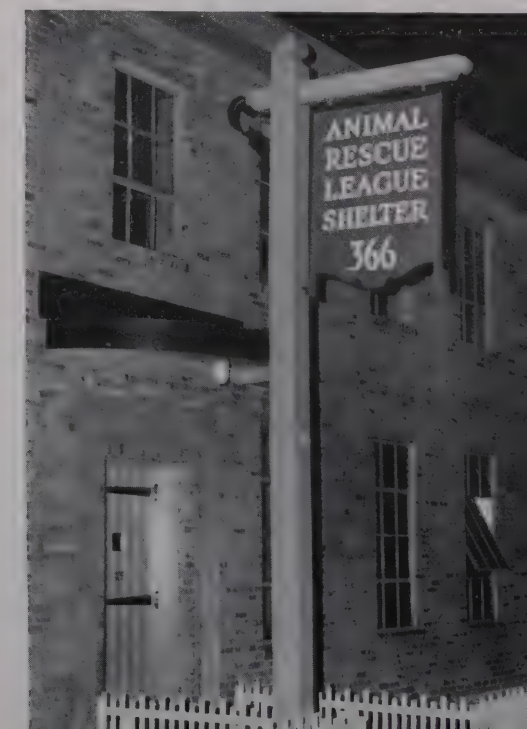
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PROPER HOUSING

Through This Door 100,000 Animals Find Shelter Each Year



We extend a cordial invitation to all to inspect our newly renovated Shelter at 366 Albany Street. Visiting Hours—10 to 5 daily, except Sundays and Holidays

OUR FOURFOOTED FRIENDS

for November, 1946

CAPE COD BRANCH

MARGARET MORSE COFFIN, *Director*

HARWICHPORT, MASSACHUSETTS

I SUPPOSE at this time of year," remarked an acquaintance recently, "your League becomes less active than during the summer."

"On the contrary, you will be surprised," we told her, "to know that ever since we opened our new Shelter at North Harwich calls for help have steadily increased."

Here we came to a full stop, for to convey to the average person an adequate impression of our constantly expanding activities is a baffling task. We wish that this questioner and others who have only the faintest conception of the extent of an agent's activities could have viewed the situation from one angle at least by accompanying us on one October visit to one of our Shelters.

As we approached, an exceptionally fine Doberman Pinscher escorted by two miniature fox terrier puppies came out of the house to greet us. In three of the kennel yards (a fourth is reserved for cats) were six dogs of varied breeds and sizes, while indoors lay a mongrel Collie, sad-eyed, weary.

"He's had a hard time," said our agent, "roaming from place to place since his people went after Labor Day."

"You mean they *deserted* him?"

"Looks like it, but you can't prove it. Some say they left him with a neighbor, but the neighbor denies it."

Visiting the other six dogs in turn we heard their stories and discussed plans for their well-being. Freckles, the English Setter whose benignant mien suggested a touch of St. Bernard in his ancestry, was befriending a lost, homesick spaniel. The latter's owner, we were relieved to hear, had

been located and soon would call for him. Our agent had made a long trip to the upper Cape for Freckles whose family was soon to move into an apartment where he would not be admitted. The little girl of the family was asleep so didn't know that her pet was being taken away. The mother cried over giving him up. But finding that he loved children it was possible to assure her that he would go into a good home. We had one picked out in advance where just this type of a dog was longed for by the parents of a small boy.

For the other dogs, including a roaming red setter and two happy-go-lucky "mutts," a bright future seemed secure with but one exception. It was the small Scotch terrier, almost a replica of Landseer's little dog of "Dignity and Impudence" fame, who tore at our heart strings. She sat up on her hind legs — her brown eyes through a mist of soft hair, raised beseechingly. Our agent's family had done all they could to cheer her, but she was not asking to be petted. Her master had died and she could not be comforted.

From out West comes word of a League collie (mentioned in the August issue of OUR FOURFOOTED FRIENDS as suffering from the heat and evidently long astray) now the pride and joy of a young couple in Colorado. It has never been the League's policy to ship a dog to a prospective owner. However, when we were told of the specially designed crate in which "Butch" would travel comfortably, following much needed veterinary treatment which these kind friends had arranged for him, we made an exception which we are

far from regretting.

"Each letter from Colorado Springs sings hymns of praise for his Royal Highness," we are informed.

Cape friends of animals who saw on a hot day last summer a tattered, brown dog wearily plodding along Harwichport's Main Street, will be glad we know to hear of this happy ending to his travels.

The latest arrival at our kennels is a Labrador retriever whose family had to give her up because an outbreak of rabies in their winter home town had caused restrictions which they felt she could not endure. At the moment of writing, a good home on a nearby farm is in prospect for her.

These are only a few of the many dogs which have passed through our hands in recent months, and every one qualified to meet all requirements has, we are happy to relate, taken its place in an appreciative home. So in reply to another frequently asked question: "Why are there so many more dogs and cats in need of homes now than formerly?" the answer logically is: "Because of the changing conditions confronting so many owners today."

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"Butch"
and
"Terry"

Animal Social Service Division BEGINS TO FUNCTION

By ELISABETH CHOLLAR, Agent

THAT the new Social Service Division of the League can educate and assist, combined with investigation work, was demonstrated recently in a case that was called to our attention by letter. Names and actual localities are omitted for our correspondent would wish to remain anonymous. Her complaint was that in the vicinity of her home there "seemed to be more dogs than people" and it had come to the point "where they are now running in packs." She related three specific cases where she believed dogs actually were neglected and had become nuisances. At one address two dogs were confined on a roof, barking madly and one was supposed to have been injured and was dragging its rear legs. In two other houses confined dogs were "yapping" constantly.

I covered the territory slowly in order to observe to my own satisfaction exactly how many dogs there were at large. I was surprised to find that the streets were singularly free—that even women and children had no pets with them. However, beginning some little distance

from the actual addresses involved, I began "canvassing" on the Social Service angle by contacting residents having pets, talking with them about health problems in connection with their animals, leaving literature and asking their opinion of our new service. During these visits the question about the dog situation in the neighborhood was casually brought up, and apparently no one shared the same opinion as the individual who wrote to us; that is, relative to numbers of dogs running at large. However, they did mention dogs barking on a roof. This narrowed the field of investigation to one house and the janitor was most helpful. One fact was brought to light. It seems the Police Department had canvassed the same district only that morning, apparently because of a complaint from the same person, and this may have accounted for the absence of dogs on the streets, although neighbors in general did not seem to think there were many nor had they been annoyed by any great number of dogs.

The people owning the dogs confined on the roof were not at home when I called, but telephone contact later established the fact that one owner's dog was not old or injured and I was told that I was free to see the animal at any time to verify this statement. No dogs were heard, or observed, at another house that was mentioned in the complaint, and the third house was closed. However, I did notice a little black and white dog sitting on the doorstep of an apartment house across the street where it evidently had been all day. The janitor did not know to whom it belonged and was unable to read the license tag. I advised him to telephone the League to have the animal picked up if its owner did

not return within a reasonable length of time.

One factor made both investigation and canvassing a bit unsatisfactory and difficult—the extreme hot weather. Few people were at home in the afternoon and many houses were closed for the summer.

DOG AND CAT SURVEY

One of the many problems that confronts our Collection Service Department is the large number of unwanted kittens which have to be collected day after day. Therefore, our Social Service Division has instituted a house-to-house survey to determine the reason for the almost unvarying yearly total. To date only one section has been satisfactorily visited and the result was interesting.

Forty families were interviewed and practically all had either a cat or a dog, some had both, dividing the percentage fairly evenly. A surprising number of cats had been spayed here at our own Clinic, and those owning uncastrated male cats said they would bring in their pets for an operation.

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*"Blackie" is our messenger
that all dogs must be licensed*

YOUR DOG

1. **MUST** be licensed before April 1 of each year, after three months of age. In Boston at police stations; in outlying districts at City or Town Clerk's office.
2. Fees:

Male	\$2.00
Female	5.00
Female (spayed)	2.00

3. Should wear its license tag at all times.
4. Should not be allowed to roam at night.
5. Must be quarantined for a 14-day period if it bites a person.
6. Should be fed a well-balanced diet.
7. Should have fresh drinking water available always.
8. Should be exercised daily, attended or on a leash.
9. Should be taught obedience, but through kindness.
10. Should be taken at once to a veterinarian when ill.

If lost, telephone HANcock 9170 and ask for the Lost and Found Department of the
Animal Rescue League of Boston
51 Carver Street
Boston 16, Massachusetts

ALL IS NOT WELL *with* LIVE ANIMALS *on* SEA-GOING VESSELS

By ARCHIBALD MACDONALD, *Chief Inspector*

FROM Cape Town, Africa, to Boston, and finally to New York City, a shipment of one zebra, two hyenas, one lioness, besides numbers of monkeys and vultures, came under the scrutiny of humane society officials.

First to inspect this shipment was The Cape of Good Hope S.P.C.A. who severely criticized unsanitary conditions of all the cages and boxes in which the wild animals and birds were confined. Major D. W. Mitchell, their Secretary, states: "One zebra was in a crate so small that it could not lie down."

Our Chief Investigator, Archibald MacDonald, examined all of the animals and birds on arrival in Boston, July 26, 1946. He confirmed the report from the humane society in

Africa, noting in particular that one hyena was severely lacerated and bleeding due to wounds resulting from fighting. The animals should have been separated by the shipper. Mr. MacDonald observed *inexcusably filthy* conditions, the result of gross neglect during the voyage and failure to remove decomposed flesh food which created a serious fly menace. After removing the rancid, decayed food, the hyena crate was thoroughly sprayed with a fly repellent.

In New York City the American S.P.C.A. inspected the live-animal cargo at its final destination. They found conditions not very much dif-

ferent, although all animals were alive at the end of their long ocean journey.

The LEAGUE sent a letter to The Cape of Good Hope S.P.C.A. with suggestions for the shipper to improve conditions in subsequent shipments of zoological specimens being transported several thousands of miles over sea routes. Here is a concrete example of coöperative humane effort between foreign societies and those in America.



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EDUCATION AUGMENTS INSPECTION WORK TO REDUCE LIVESTOCK LOSSES

By

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Loss Prevention Association

(A subsidiary of the

LEAGUE)



Our Exhibit at the Skowhegan Fair

THIS past summer and fall state and county fairs have been able to open their gates again to the tremendous crowds of pre-war years. This, in turn, has again given us the opportunity to carry our exhibit of model bruised meat directly to the people. As in the past, we have presented the tried and tested methods of handling livestock SAFELY and HUMANELY in an effort to impress everyone with the importance of *preventing* the tremendous losses incurred by canes, clubs, protruding nails, uprights and posts, fast driving on rough roads, quick stops and starts, and many other hazards that cause bruises and sometimes serious injuries between the farm and the slaughterhouse.

The theme in our electric sign, shown in the illustration, appropriately is "HELP WIN THE PEACE — WASTE WON'T DO IT." Along with the exhibit we distributed hundreds of copies of a new circular published by the National Livestock Loss Prevention Board entitled, "Conserve Meat by Handling Livestock Carefully." Copies of this leaflet will be sent upon request.

In Maine we exhibited at the State's largest fair — The Skowhegan Fair. It is not the size of the fair, and certainly not the pretentiousness of the building we occupy, that makes Skowhegan a MUST on our fair circuit, but rather because this is one place where we can get down to earth and talk to the people who raise some of the stock that goes to the New England markets. Here, too, are the people who handle the stock from the farm to the railroad or from the farm to market by truck. Both groups are interested in safe and improved methods of handling when it means better profits from the livestock they raise and transport. If we can eliminate the abuse at its source, then we have saved the animals from many bruises, broken bones, etc., and hours of uncomfortable or painful travel.

Although we have not been able to visit as many fairs this year as we hope will be the case in the future, we feel that the bit of work we have done has been worth while. Though we may have reached only a handful of people with a real appreciation of the problem, the needless suffering will be reduced by the multiple numbers of animals which, as a consequence, will find their trip to market much safer and more comfortable.

Correction Is Made in Stock Car

Several weeks of daily observation at the Brighton Stockyards would make one familiar with the stock cars that unload there regularly. One car in particular from a nearby state was utilized in a shuttle service so that it made regular weekly appearances. It was so constructed that half of it was double-decked for the shipment of calves and a more or less permanent partition was in place so that the decks could be opened separately by means of a gate on one end of the partition. This partition was apparently never inspected after one trip, or before the next, and gradually reached a state of disrepair. Two boards near the bottom remained fastened only on one end so that a jerking of the car and shifting of the load could cause them to be forced up and calves become caught and crippled or injured when the load shifted another way and they were sprung back into place.

Our office immediately contacted by mail the superintendent of the railroad where the shipment originated. On the very day that the stock car reappeared at Brighton with a *well repaired partition*, a letter was received stating that the shipper had been notified and promised to rectify conditions.

Such coöperation from railroads and shippers is encouraging. It is an assurance that we are doing a job for the livestock that must be shipped to market — doing it through using the principles of education and coöperation rather than force and coercion.



Our Convention Booth

DELEGATES from a good cross section of the United States and Canada, numbering more than 350, have returned home from Columbus, Ohio, where the Convention was held. The farewells by nearly everyone were such as to indicate unmistakably that the National Program achieved its three-fold objective: *Inspiration, Information and Instruction.*

One delegate from the State of Texas said: "If I had learned nine years ago what I know now just from attending the panel discussion on *Publicity and Public Relations* I feel certain my efforts to build a society would have been many times more successful."

All panel discussions were well attended, some even exceeding our highest expectations. If there is any criticism, it is the fact the program was too crowded, leaving certain matters undone or there was not enough opportunity to crystallize ideas and policies that govern our efforts to cope more effectively with animal and child protection trends.

An indelible impression lingers in our minds of some of the highlights that will not soon be forgotten. Included in these are:

The President's message in which Mr. Robert F. Sellar pointed the way toward an enlarged scope of service. Many of our readers will be



Albert Morris

70th Annual Convention of The American Humane Association Stimulates Humane Movement

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Outdoor Demonstration

glad to know that Mr. Sellar is happy in his new post as President of The American Humane Association, and there is no doubt that through his guidance we may expect great progress toward alleviation of suffering to both child and animal.

Mr. Richard C. Craven's appearance before an eager and enthusiastic audience who heard first-hand the story of animal stars in motion pictures.

The excellent educational exhibits; in which the League had an important part. The illustration shown on this page is a scene from "Tanya," one of our marionette plays used in the teaching of Humane Education, which comprised our booth at the National Convention.

The Outdoor Demonstration, witnessed by an estimated 10,000 persons, included the intelligent horse "Gallant Bess" who performed in grand style. Also, for the first time at a National Convention there was a demonstration of motorized equipment that makes possible the humane transportation of all animals from pets to pigs and horses. Our own new small-animal ambulance, shown on page 7, made quite a hit as did Animal Agent Albert Morris who gave an excellent performance of demonstrating the proper equipment for getting cats out of trees and other high places. Not to be outdone was the superb exhibition of Miss Blanche Saunders of New York, nationally known trainer of dogs in obedience.

44TH ANNUAL FAIR

NOVEMBER 18-19, 1946

COPLEY PLAZA HOTEL, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

MONDAY: 10 A.M. to 9 P.M. — TUESDAY: 10 A.M. to 6 P.M.

We are planning many new attractions for the forthcoming event, *the Fair of 1946*. Members and friends are cordially invited to attend. There is still time to send articles to be sold for the benefit of our fourfooted friends.

Acceptable articles: Linens and household supplies, antiques, bric-a-brac, aprons, towels, dusters, holders, rugs and quilts, toys and baby things, fancy baskets, handkerchiefs, recent books and gifts for the Christmas season. *We will call for articles.*

We need your support more than ever!
We want the Fair to be a great success!
Please help the Committee to realize this ambition.

B. MAUDE PHILLIPS, *Fair Manager*

The sterling performance of Mrs. Kathryn Turney Garten in giving the Book Review *Angel in Top Hat*, which is the life story of Henry Bergh, the father of humane work in the United States, gave us a new vision for higher achievement in the humane field.

The demonstration on Humane Education by the Humane Society of the City of Columbus was truly emblematic of a forward step in education to reach all age groups with the message of KINDNESS as an essential attribute of human character.

The Columbus Boy Choir enthralled more than 250 in the audience at the Main Banquet and by their voices of boyish effervescence gave our delegates an unforgettable experience of group singing.

Add to the above the inspiration and helpfulness of talking to your fellow worker and the tour of inspection of a modernized animal shelter in Columbus and we may happily conclude that the First Post-War Convention was BIGGER, BETTER, DIFFERENT!

CAPE COD BRANCH

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To cats the same consideration is given as to dogs, and we are constantly on the alert to find homes for them. Recently when a kitten was asked for (tiger preferred) by a family whom we knew would give it the best of care, we tucked a twin brother into the basket for company, and were happy to receive word in return: "Glad to keep them both."

Nature, however, appears to be overzealous regarding the feline race, so obviously some of her offspring must be humanely put to sleep.

It is indeed cause for thanksgiving that a fair number of animal lovers on Cape Cod are still able to adopt displaced pets, and we rejoice to form the link which binds one group to the other.

● A Membership in the Animal Rescue League of Boston or its Branches is An Investment in Civic Betterment.

LEAGUE DOG BRINGS HAPPINESS TO ROBERTA



I got my dog from the Animal Rescue League in October, 1945. She is the most beautiful dog in the world, and her name is

"Becky." She is a very true and faithful friend.

Before I got her I had a foolish fear of staying alone at night in the darkness, but with "Becky" I soon forgot it.

While she was going through puppyhood it was impossible to leave anything around, but now when she starts to chew anything and I reprimand her she will drop it immediately. "Becky" is growing up to be a fine dog.

Roberta Lyons (12 years old)
Revere, Massachusetts

NEWS from the AMERICAN VETERINARY MEDICAL ASSOCIATION CONVENTION

Held in Boston during the Week of August 19, 1946

Dr. Bennett T. Simms, Chief of the Bureau of Animal Industry, U. S. Dept. of Agriculture, is the new President, succeeding Dr. James Farquharson.

Congratulations — and may your leadership inspire the noble efforts of more than 12,000 veterinarians in the vast field of animal life conservation!

Air transportation presents a new set of problems in efforts to control the spread of animal diseases, according to Lt. Col. Benjamin D. Blood, chief of the veterinary branch of the Army Air Force, who addressed the American Veterinary Medical Association delegates. Among passengers, pet animals are now a common item of air transport. Also, baby chicks, cattle, wild animals from Africa for American zoos and chinchillas from South America for United States fur farmers. "Well-enforced quarantine measures for controlling the spread of animal diseases are indicated, but they must be directed in such a manner as to provide the least possible interference with the service for which air transport is best suited — speed," said Lt. Col. Blood.

Dr. Alexander Zeissig, on the staff of the New York State Board of Health, advocated that dog control and vaccination should be the two key measures of controlling widespread outbreaks of rabies. Lkening a rabies program to a military campaign, Dr. Zeissig said "tactical units must be organized and endowed with enough spirit to insure maximum efficiency." Since rabies occurs in dogs, wild life and farm animals, he urged that the agencies of Public Health, Conservation and Agriculture be part of the tactical unit in each state.

Veterinarians attending the 83rd National Convention in Boston expressed great satisfaction with the LEAGUE'S Shelter and Free Animal Clinic. We were highly honored by the presence in our buildings of veterinarians from many states including Oregon, Ohio, Texas, Georgia, Illinois, Michigan and Wisconsin.

WE HEAR FROM JANE HINTON

Jane, who assisted in our Clinic during the summer months and who is attending veterinary medical school, writes us as follows:

"After one year of study at veterinary school, it was a great opportunity to work and assist in actual practice at the Animal Rescue League Clinic. What a grand feeling it was to be able to tell a client that her pet had nothing more than a stomach ache when it was brought to the Clinic, soon enough so that we could administer the proper treatment. However, there were

times when an animal was brought in too late and treatment would have been of no avail. Then it was necessary to play the role of sympathizer and comforter, for owners are naturally attached to their pets and losing them is a terrible blow.

"My experience this summer has taught me that Veterinary Medicine requires not only good practice, but the ability to handle the public with tact and diplomacy.

"Life at the Animal Rescue League Clinic was exciting and makes me impatient for the day when I can devote my full time to the practice of such an interesting field."

Good luck to you, Jane!

ANIMAL SOCIAL SERVICE

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The most interesting feature of this canvass was the cordiality of the people and the fine care shown all of the animals. Every family visited was 100% for the new idea of an Animal Social Service Agency and was most grateful for pamphlets on the Care of Dogs and Cats. They all expressed the hope I would visit them again in the near future.

This was the first district visited and undoubtedly the picture will not be the same everywhere, but it is believed that the same interest in this new division of the League may be definitely anticipated.

WE NEED YOUR HELP

All this, of course, means a greater expenditure of funds, but we feel that when the real tangible results of the Social Service Agency are better known and understood the service cost will be met by those who demand prompt and efficient relief for the increasing animal population.

Any contribution sent for this specific part of our work will be most sincerely appreciated.

Timely Tips

Now that cold weather is coming, do not forget to feed the birds

Don't keep a monkey as a pet unless you have sufficient time and knowledge to take the proper care of it

Never place a cat's bed on a drafty floor

Don't give a rabbit wet, mouldy or wilted food

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Sworn to and subscribed before me this 10th day of Sept. 1946.

(My commission expires September 22, 1951.)

WALTER J. DETHLOFF, Editor

ARCHIBALD MACDONALD, Notary Public

All Around NEWS and HI-LITES

Dr. Wesley A. Young, Managing Director of the Anti-Cruelty Society, Chicago, Illinois, and former Chief Veterinarian of the League, paid us a most welcome visit with his family. It was good to see you, Doc, and we hope to have the pleasure of many such visits from you.

Another very pleasant visit was enjoyed at the League on August 20 with our genial co-worker, Herbert W. Cooper, superintendent of the Worcester Animal Rescue League.

Dr. Patricia O'Connor is the only woman Zoo Veterinarian in the United States. She is a young, attractive blonde and reputed to be absolutely fearless in her handling and treatment of lions and tigers.

Mr. Charles R. Johns, who for 37 years has been the secretary of the National Canine Defense League, London, England, was recently appointed to the responsible position of *Campaign Director*. Our best wishes for success are sent across the Atlantic to Mr. Johns.

"Do you like pets?" A neat double-folded card raises the question at each table in a New Rochelle, New York, restaurant. It suggests also that after you have dined you ask the waiter for a Pet Package containing a selection of the meal's best scraps, packaged nicely so that you can take it home. There's no charge. Local restaurants please copy.

The New England Anti-Vivisection Society announces removal of its headquarters to 22A Beacon Street, Boston, from 6 Park Street. The new quarters are commodious and pleasant and will provide better quarters from which to move forward in the cause they represent.

In May the Animal Rescue League of Fall River, Massachusetts, celebrated its 32nd anniversary. For the year April 1945 to April 1946 animals cared for totalled 5,229.

CANINE CORNER

"Wanderlust," a visitor at the LEAGUE Shelter, chats bow-wow fashion with his new friend, "Vi," a German Shepherd, owned by Dr. E. G. Mitchell. "Vi," recently discharged from the Army's K-9 Corps, had a few war stories to tell.

— Boston American Photo.



To MEMBERS, SUBSCRIBERS and DONORS

THE response to our last appeal in August for the renewal of MEMBERSHIPS and SUBSCRIPTIONS has been sufficient to justify the sending of this issue of OUR FOURFOOTED FRIENDS to everyone on our mailing list.

If, however, you are among those who have not RENEWED your membership on the anniversary date of your last payment, we shall appreciate your doing so NOW. Just clip the coupon below and mail it WITHOUT DELAY.

The Animal Rescue League is earnestly striving in every way to merit your continued support in a time when animal distress is acute and relief measures are NEEDED.

We repeat the slogan of one of our loyal members who said: "NOBODY CAN DO IT ALL, BUT EVERYBODY CAN DO A LITTLE."

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A Free Clinic for Animals has been maintained at headquarters for thirty years. Dr. George W. Mather, Veterinarian-in-Charge; Dr. William V. Hopkins and Dr. Arthur A. Barry, Associates.

Pine Ridge Cemetery for Small Animals and *Pine Ridge Home of Rest for Horses* are maintained at 246 Pine Street, Dedham, on a farm of twenty-one acres. Arrangements for burials, including cremations, may be made at 51 Carver Street.

Eight Motor Ambulances and *Twelve Agents* are busy every day collecting animals, averaging in number 100,000 every year. A 24-hour Emergency Service is maintained.

BRANCH RECEIVING STATIONS

Boston Shelter.....366 Albany Street
Dedham.....Pine Ridge Home of Rest for Horses
South End.....109 Northampton Street
West Lynn.....4 Neptune Street

Cape Cod

Eastham.....Walter F. Nickerson, Samoset Road
No. Harwich.....Hilliard Hopkins, Depot Street

Donations, Membership Fees and Bequests provide the main support of the League. Become a member, send a donation or make provision for us in your will, and help insure our continued protection of stray, unwanted, sick and injured animals. Of every paid-up League membership of \$1.00 or more, 50 cents is for a year's subscription to "Our Fourfooted Friends."

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